

# **PUBLIC FILE**

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Locally produced news and public affairs magazine show featuring in-depth interviews, investigative reports, documentaries and feature stories on news events and issues of significance to the Sacramento area.

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**ASCERTAINED COMMUNITY ISSUES**

1. **EDUCATION**, including the quality of public education; school busing; white flight; bilingual education; school violence; and the quality of college and adult education.
2. **ECONOMY**, including inflation; economic development; economic opportunity; welfare; unemployment; job training; labor relations; and consumer issues.
3. **GOVERNMENT**, including government spending; the provision of government services; taxes; general political debate by officials and candidates.
4. **HEALTH**, including quality of medical facilities; national health programs; nutrition; physical fitness; mental health; preventative health care; and medical malpractice.
5. **ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & TRANSPORTATION**, including natural disasters; pollution (especially air and water); the water crisis; and the effects of urban sprawl.
6. **MINORITIES, WOMEN & AGING**, including discrimination and other problems of racial minorities; women and senior citizens; the handicapped; homosexuals; and religious ethnic groups.
7. **CRIME**, including increasing crime rate; youth and gang crime; police-community relations; gun control; law enforcement; the criminal justice system; and the prison system, reform and rehabilitation.
8. **DRUG ABUSE**, including the increase in use and abuse of drugs and alcohol; rehabilitation programs; drunk driving; and the need for greater education.
9. **HOUSING**, including rental restrictions; rent control; lack of low and middle housing; landlord / tenant relations; historical preservation; and mortgage rates.
10. **YOUTH & FAMILY**, including issues regarding marriage; the changing role of the family; parenting; child rearing; and abuse.

## ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST

### EDUCATION

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Program: Public File  
Date: October 8, 2006  
Time: 6:00A-6:30A

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Issue: **Drug Abuse Prevention**  
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**Issue:** **Local Non-Profit Music Organizations**  
**Program:** Public File  
**Date:** November 5, 2006  
**Time:** 6:00A-6:30A

**Description:** Proceeds from the Harvest Festival Original Art & Craft Show benefit the Sacramento Traditional Jazz Society. The mission of the Sacramento Traditional Jazz Society is to preserve and promote traditional jazz, Dixieland, and classic jazz music. They are a non-profit organization whose purpose is to educate STJS members and the public on matters concerning the preservation and promotion of traditional jazz music, and the study and playing of musical instruments associated with traditional jazz music. STJS is proud to sponsor the annual Sacramento Jazz Jubilee during Memorial Day Weekend. Their educational programs include Music Lesson Awards, College Music Awards, Traditional Jazz Camp, the Jazz Youth Band Festival, and Youth Bands featured monthly at the Jazz Sunday monthly concerts.

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### **EDUCATION (Cont'd)**

**Issue:** **Safe Driving for Young Drivers**  
**Program:** Public File  
**Date:** November 26, 2006  
**Time:** 10:00P-10:30P

**Description:** Alive at 25 is a highly interactive four-hour traffic safety survival course specifically designed for 16 to 24 year old drivers – the group most likely to be hurt or killed in a vehicle crash. More than 400,000 young adults have learned life-saving defense driving skills through Alive at 25 since 1995. National Safety Council developed the course to prevent traffic collisions, fatalities, and violations. Instructors use workbook exercises, interactive media segments, group discussions, role-playing activities, short lectures, and guest speakers to help young drivers develop convictions and strategies that will keep them safer on the road. Alive at 25 teaches young drivers to take control of situations by taking responsibility for their own driving behavior. In a recent study by the Colorado State Patrol, 93% of Alive at 25 participants said they would change their driving behavior after going through the program. Alive at 25 helps young drivers see the real consequences of their choices, from losing a license and/or insurance coverage to losing relationships, mobility or even their lives. Courts and schools nationwide use Alive at 25 in their violator programs.

**Issue:** **Mentoring Children of Prisoners**  
**Program:** Public File  
**Date:** December 17, 2006  
**Time:** 10:00P-10:30P

**Description:** Children of prisoners are 7 times more likely to become involved in the juvenile and adult criminal justice systems. One in 10 of these children will be incarcerated before reaching the age of 18. The Roots and Horizons mentor program is a site-based, one-to-one mentoring program working with children of prisoners living in Rancho Cordova and Folsom who are between the ages of 4 and 15. Their mission is to build safe and healthy mentoring relationships that foster stability and promote positive futures for all children of prisoners in our community. Roots and Horizons envisions a community in which there is a collective effort to provide every child of an incarcerated parent with a nurturing and supportive adult role model. Mentors support the child's strengths and empower them to discover their own talents, set their own goals and reach their own aspirations.

**Issue:** **Learning Disabilities**  
**Program:** Public File  
**Date:** December 31, 2006  
**Time:** 10:00P-10:30P

**Description:** LDA (Learning Disabilities Association) – CA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit volunteer organization of parents, professionals, and adults with learning disabilities. Its purpose is to promote and support the education and general welfare of children and adults of potentially normal intelligence who manifest learning, perceptual, and/or behavioral handicaps. The goals of the Learning Disabilities Association of California are to: advance parents' understanding and responsibility for the education of their children; increase community awareness and acceptance of the unique problems of persons with learning disabilities and their families; expand communication with regular and special educators at all levels; respond to unmet needs of individuals with learning disabilities and promote or create services to meet those needs; develop social and educational opportunities for individuals with learning disabilities; promote vocational and career education opportunities; encourage research in all aspects of learning disabilities; stimulate development of early detection programs; and serve as a consultant and/or liaison with other parents and professional organizations.

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Issue: **Japanese Internment**  
Program: Public File  
Date: November 19, 2006  
Time: 10:00P-10:30P

Description: *Suitcase Sefton & the American Dream* is the story of a scout for the New York Yankees, who discovers a left-handed pitcher in a Japanese-American internment camp in the Arizona desert during World War II. Through the filter of baseball, the book addresses issues of personal integrity, racism, internment, and American values and dreams. Feldman blends his love of baseball with the realities of history to tell a truly American story. The author engages and transports us with the untold stories of Americans keeping the American pastime alive within a detention camp. *Suitcase Sefton & the American Dream* captures the essence of culture, community, baseball, and civil liberties in a time of crisis.

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Issue: **Disaster Preparedness**  
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Date: December 3, 2006  
Time: 10:30P-11:00P

Description: Citizen Voice's mission is to inspire, inform and involve citizens in the public arena on behalf of all, especially the vulnerable. Citizen Voice fulfills its mission by involving citizens in both practical immediate intervention and work towards long-term changes that protect the vulnerable. SAFELY OUT is a project of Citizen voice, developed in partnership with the Red Cross – Sacramento Sierra Chapter, to ensure that our most vulnerable citizens – including the disabled, frail seniors, young children and more – are protected during a disaster. Safely Out Kits are the foundation of the project. For anyone who may have difficulty safely evacuating, they enable easy access to critical emergency information along with a leave-behind alert system that allows the person to call for help and then notifies relatives and first responders where that person has been evacuated to.

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**Issue:** Off Highway Motor Vehicles  
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**Time:** 10:00P-10:30P

**Description:** The Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Program was born in 1971 out of the critical need to better manage growing demands for off-highway recreation, while at the same time foster respect for private property rights and protect California's natural and cultural resources. Today, this program, a division of the California Department of Parks and Recreation, is the largest and most successful program of its type in the U.S. The program continues its commitment to provide safe, enjoyable recreation while balancing the need to protect the state's resources. In addition to providing accessibility to off-highway recreation for everyone from hikers to bikers to bird watchers, the program provides a variety of services and benefits to California's residents and the state's visitors, including resource management of its lands, wildlife habitat protection, youth development and law enforcement. Program funding comes from fuel taxes that are attributable to the recreational use of vehicles off highway, off-highway vehicle registration fees and fees collected at state vehicular recreation areas.

**Issue:** Drunk Driving Prevention  
**Program:** Public File  
**Date:** December 17, 2006  
**Time:** 10:00P-10:30P

**Description:** In a collaborative effort to save lives, the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), California Highway Patrol (CHP), Department of Transportation (CalTrans), Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) and Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) are working together to prevent impaired driving this holiday season. More than 450 law enforcement agencies throughout California, including the CHP, are preparing for a DUI crackdown in 35 counties. The statewide effort will include a significant increase in officers on the streets in the form of saturation patrols and sobriety checkpoints. This year law enforcement is asking for the public's help. Drunk driving is the top priority for the California Highway Patrol and other motorists on the roads are one of the best weapons we have against drunk drivers. The CHP is asking the public to report drunk drivers by calling 911 and providing the location and a complete description of the vehicle. In 2005, approximately 46% of the 3,424 fatal motor vehicle crashes in California were alcohol-related. Furthermore, alcohol-related fatalities increased by almost 8% last year, compared to a nationwide decrease of less than 1% between 2004 and 2005.

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Issue: **Children and Cancer**

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Description: The mission of the Okizu Foundation is to provide recreational, respite and peer support programs to meet the needs of all members of families affected by childhood cancer. The Okizu Foundation is committed to the continuing support of the Oncology and Siblings camping programs. These programs are the result of a collaborative effort of the foundation and the pediatric oncology treatment programs in Northern California. The specific purpose of this corporation is to operate a recreational therapy program for children whose families are affected by childhood cancer. Children who are diagnosed with cancer miss a normal childhood. Their illness, treatment and complications can keep them from enjoying activities that often are taken for granted. And yet these children, like all children, need the opportunity to grow, experiment and discover independence. Camp Okizu began with the belief that a residential camp can be an ideal setting for children struggling with a life threatening illness to explore and enjoy a normal life experience.

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### **HEALTH (Cont'd)**

**Issue:**           **Obtaining Accurate Medical Information**  
**Program:**       Public File  
**Date:**           October 22, 2006  
**Time:**          6:00A-6:30A

**Description:**   The Medical Board of California is the state agency that licenses medical doctors, investigates complaints, disciplines those who violate the law, conducts physician evaluations, and facilitates rehabilitation where appropriate. The Board performs similar functions for affiliated healing arts professions including registered dispensing opticians, spectacle lens dispensers, contact lens dispensers, licensed midwives, and research psychoanalysts. Services include complaint information, physicians and medical marijuana, choosing a doctor, internet prescription information, patient access to medical records, physician license information, and protecting the privacy of patient's health information.

**Issue:**           **Influenza Immunizations**  
**Program:**       Public File  
**Date:**           November 5, 2006  
**Time:**          6:30A-7:00A

**Description:**   Influenza (the flu) is a contagious disease that is caused by the influenza virus. It attacks the respiratory tract in humans (nose, throat and lungs). The flu is different from a cold. The flu usually comes on suddenly and may include these symptoms: fever, headache, tiredness (can be extreme), dry cough, sore throat, nasal congestion, and body aches. These symptoms are usually referred to as "flu-like" symptoms. Influenza is caused by a virus, so antibiotics (like penicillin) don't work to cure it. The best way to prevent the flu is to get an influenza vaccine each fall, before the flu season. There are other good health habits that can help prevent the flu that include avoiding close contact with people who are sick, covering the mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing, and washing the hands.

**Issue:**           **Birth Defect Prevention**  
**Program:**       Public File  
**Date:**           November 12, 2006  
**Time:**          6:00A-6:30A

**Description:**   The mission of the March of Dimes is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects and infant mortality. We carry out this mission through research, community services, education and advocacy to save babies' lives. March of Dimes researchers, volunteers, educators, outreach workers and advocates work together to give all babies a fighting chance against the threats to their health: prematurity, birth defects, low birth weight. Sacramento Magazine's "best of" party is a celebration featuring the best of everything as decided by the Magazines' readers. Over 6,000 people enjoy fantastic food, drinks, entertainment and a live and silent auction at this celebration which has been rated the number one "Best Of" party nationwide. Proceeds, which are expected to reach over \$200,000, benefit the local chapter of the March of Dimes.

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Issue: **Shaken Baby Syndrome**

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Description: Shaken Baby Syndrome is a collective term for the internal head injuries a baby or young child sustains from being violently shaken. Every year, nearly 50,000 children in the United States are forcefully shaken by their caretakers. The victims are on average six to eight months old, but may be as old as five years or as young as a few days. The shaking may occur as a response of frustration to the baby's inconsolable crying or as an action of routine abuse. Infants and small children are especially vulnerable to SBS because their neck muscles are still too weak to adequately support their disproportionately large heads and their young brain tissue and blood vessels are extremely fragile. When an infant is vigorously shaken by the arms, legs, shoulders, or chest, the whiplash motion repeatedly jars the baby's brain with tremendous force, causing internal damage and bleeding. While there may be no obvious external signs of injury following shaking, the child may suffer internally from brain bleeding and bruising, brain swelling and damage; mental retardation, hearing loss, paralysis, speech impairment and learning disabilities; and death. Nearly 2,000 children die every year as a result of being shaken. Shaken Baby Syndrome is preventable with public education. Adults must be actively taught that shaking a child is never acceptable and can cause severe injury or death.

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Issue: **Living with Fear / Relaxation Techniques / Martial Arts**  
Program: Public File  
Date: December 31, 2006  
Time: 10:30P-11:00P

Description: Tai chi is one of three fighting arts classified as application of internal king fu. This means that the art develops inner strength through paying attention to internal sensations and their causes. This is in contrast to developing muscular strength, toughening the outer body and learning set techniques. Central to tai chi is the development of Achi, the Chinese term for vital energy. Chi can be thought of as a form of internal energy that accompanies and makes possible all the activities of the body and mind, such as digestion, blood circulation, movement and thought. Tai chi is a slow motion, moving, meditative exercise for relaxation, health and self defense. When practiced properly one is less tired and less stressed at the end of a session than at the beginning. With the fear of war and recent natural disasters, Americans say they are more anxious than ever. Scientific research about how our brains and bodies process fear shows that techniques such as meditation, massage, tai chi, yoga and even laughter can change the chemical make up of the brain and ease anxiety and fear.

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### **ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & TRANSPORTATION**

**Issue: Recycling**

**Program: Public File**

**Date: October 15, 2006**

**Time: 6:00A-6:30A**

**Description:** The Western Placer Waste Management Authority, or WPWMA, is a regional agency which comprises the cities of Lincoln, Rocklin and Roseville, and the County of Placer. The WPWMA provides recycling and waste disposal services. The WPWMA was established in 1978 through a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement between the County of Placer and the Cities of Roseville, Rocklin and Lincoln to acquire, own, operate, and maintain a sanitary landfill site and all related improvements. As a result of AB 939, WPWMA designed and built a Material Recovery Facility, or MRF, to divert solid waste from being disposed at the landfill. The MRF operation recovers recyclable materials from the waste stream, reduces the amount of waste that enters the landfill, conserves valuable landfill space, and provides a safe way to dispose of household hazardous waste (HHW).

**Issue: Safe Driving for Young Drivers**

**Program: Public File**

**Date: November 26, 2006**

**Time: 10:00P-10:30P**

**Description:** Alive at 25 is a highly interactive four-hour traffic safety survival course specifically designed for 16 to 24 year old drivers – the group most likely to be hurt or killed in a vehicle crash. More than 400,000 young adults have learned life-saving defense driving skills through Alive at 25 since 1995. National Safety Council developed the course to prevent traffic collisions, fatalities, and violations. Instructors use workbook exercises, interactive media segments, group discussions, role-playing activities, short lectures, and guest speakers to help young drivers develop convictions and strategies that will keep them safer on the road. Alive at 25 teaches young drivers to take control of situations by taking responsibility for their own driving behavior. In a recent study by the Colorado State Patrol, 93% of Alive at 25 participants said they would change their driving behavior after going through the program. Alive at 25 helps young drivers see the real consequences of their choices, from losing a license and/or insurance coverage to losing relationships, mobility or even their lives. Courts and schools nationwide use Alive at 25 in their violator programs.

**Issue: Off Highway Motor Vehicles**

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### ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & TRANSPORTATION (Cont'd)

Issue: **Drunk Driving Prevention**  
Program: Public File  
Date: December 17, 2006  
Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: In a collaborative effort to save lives, the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), California Highway Patrol (CHP), Department of Transportation (CalTrans), Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) and Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) are working together to prevent impaired driving this holiday season. More than 450 law enforcement agencies throughout California, including the CHP, are preparing for a DUI crackdown in 35 counties. The statewide effort will include a significant increase in officers on the streets in the form of saturation patrols and sobriety checkpoints. This year law enforcement is asking for the public's help. Drunk driving is the top priority for the California Highway Patrol and other motorists on the roads are one of the best weapons we have against drunk drivers. The CHP is asking the public to report drunk drivers by calling 911 and providing the location and a complete description of the vehicle. In 2005, approximately 46% of the 3,424 fatal motor vehicle crashes in California were alcohol-related. Furthermore, alcohol-related fatalities increased by almost 8% last year, compared to a nationwide decrease of less than 1% between 2004 and 2005.



## ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST

### MINORITIES, WOMEN & AGING

Issue: **Feeding the World's Hungry**

Program: Public File

Date: October 8, 2006

Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: Freedom from Hunger brings innovative and sustainable self-help solutions to the fight against chronic hunger and poverty. Together with local partners, they equip families with resources they need to build futures of health, hope and dignity. They believe that a world without hunger can be achieved through the principles and practices of self-help, collaboration, innovation, sustainability and respect for the contributions of our in-country partners and the families we serve. Because young children are most vulnerable to the ravages of malnutrition, Freedom from Hunger designs its self-help services for women – the primary caretakers of young children. They equip women to succeed at the very thing they are already determined to do: feed their children, improve their families' health and create positive change in their villages. They work in developing nations where chronic hunger is suffered by a large portion of a country's population. They focus on rural regions where poverty and hunger are at their worst. Their programs and services are at work in Africa (Benin, Burkina Faso, Ghana, Madagascar, Mali, Senegal, Togo and Uganda); Asia (India, the Philippines); and Latin America and the Caribbean (Bolivia, Ecuador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico and Peru).

Issue: **Employment Opportunities for People with Disabilities**

Program: Public File

Date: October 22, 2006

Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: One place where the ability to network is critical is the job fair. A job fair is a forum where many employers gather for a rigorous day of recruiting. As a job seeker you might find 20 to 100 employers who have set up exhibit areas for the day. Employers invest considerable time and money in job fairs and career days, and they take them very seriously. While companies will occasionally use such an event more for public relations and image-building purposes than for active hiring, they always collect resumes in the hopes of finding good candidates for current and future positions. This particular job fair focuses on employment opportunities for people with disabilities. One of the sponsors is PRIDE industries. PRIDE Industries supports its mission to create jobs for people with disabilities by offering comprehensive vocational rehabilitation services. They treat people as individuals, work with them to identify and capitalize on their strengths, create choices and options, and help make important contributions in their community. Another sponsor is the California Department of Rehabilitation, which works in partnership with consumers and other stakeholders to provide services and advocacy resulting in employment, independent living and equality for individuals with disabilities.

Issue: **Domestic Violence**

Program: Public File

Date: November 12, 2006

Time: 6:30A-7:00A

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### MINORITIES, WOMEN & AGING (Cont'd)

Issue: **Retirement**  
Program: Public File  
Date: November 19, 2006  
Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: Richard Lyon, a pre-retirement coach, believes that Pre-Retirement Coaching is a must for “baby boomers” going into retirement. Even with ‘financials’ in good shape, it is not the happy, care-free life that “they” said it would be. There are far too many disturbing statistics about retirees and premature death. The more the guest studied the phenomenon called “retirement” and its pitfalls, the more he became convinced of the importance of bringing greater awareness to people headed in that direction. I know simple awareness is often curative. Hidden and unspoken issues that come with retirement include loss of professional identity, loss of daily routine, loss of social circle and the loss of creative and productive outlets.

Issue: **Disaster Preparedness**  
Program: Public File  
Date: December 3, 2006  
Time: 6:30A-7:00A

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### CRIME

Issue: **Drug Abuse Prevention**  
Program: Public File  
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### CRIME (Cont'd)

Issue: **Shaken Baby Syndrome**  
Program: Public File  
Date: December 10, 2006  
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Issue: **Identity Theft**  
Program: Public File  
Date: December 24, 2006  
Time: 10:00P-10:30P

Description: Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information without your permission to commit fraud or other crimes. While you can't entirely control whether you will become a victim, there are steps you can take to minimize your risk. Despite your best efforts to manage the flow of your personal information or to keep it to yourself, skilled identity thieves may use a variety of methods to gain access to your data. They get information from businesses or other institutions by stealing records or information while they're on the job, bribing an employee who has access to these records, hacking these records, or conning information out of employees. It's difficult to predict how long the effects of identity theft may linger. That's because it depends on many factors including the type of theft, whether the thief sold or passed your information on to other thieves, whether the thief is caught, and problems related to correcting your credit report. Victims of identity theft should monitor their credit reports and other financial records for several months after they discover the crime. Victims should review their credit reports once every three months in the first year of the theft and once a year thereafter.

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### **YOUTH & FAMILY**

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Issue: **Children and Cancer**  
Program: Public File  
Date: October 15, 2006  
Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: The mission of the Okizu Foundation is to provide recreational, respite and peer support programs to meet the needs of all members of families affected by childhood cancer. The Okizu Foundation is committed to the continuing support of the Oncology and Siblings camping programs. These programs are the result of a collaborative effort of the foundation and the pediatric oncology treatment programs in Northern California. The specific purpose of this corporation is to operate a recreational therapy program for children whose families are affected by childhood cancer. Children who are diagnosed with cancer miss a normal childhood. Their illness, treatment and complications can keep them from enjoying activities that often are taken for granted. And yet these children, like all children, need the opportunity to grow, experiment and discover independence. Camp Okizu began with the belief that a residential camp can be an ideal setting for children struggling with a life threatening illness to explore and enjoy a normal life experience.

## **ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST**

### **YOUTH & FAMILY (Cont'd)**

**Issue:** **Public Access to Legal Assistance**  
**Program:** Public File  
**Date:** October 29, 2006  
**Time:** 6:00A-6:30A

**Description:** The Sacramento County Public Law Library serves the bench, bar and citizens of Sacramento County. The California County Law Library system was established in 1891. Sacramento County Public Law Library is the 6<sup>th</sup> largest of California's 58 county law libraries with more than 65,000 volumes. The library is a practice library, focusing on practical materials for attorneys and lay persons. Use of the library's collection is free to all who enter the library. A team of highly skilled professional, technical and clerical staff works together to provide appropriate resources to meet the legal research and information needs of library customers. The mission of the Sacramento County Public Law Library staff is to assist customers in their efforts to use the legal system effectively, continually improve services, cultivate new technologies to best serve customers, exhibit their values in their daily work, and seek to maximize customer's research dollar.

**Issue:** **Help for At-Risk Youth**  
**Program:** Public File  
**Date:** October 29, 2006  
**Time:** 6:30A-7:00A

**Description:** California Coalition for Youth's (CCY) mission is to lead California as a voice for youth-adult partnerships. They advocate for public policies, programs and services that empower, support and protect the rights of youth and their families. CCY, a charitable non-profit, was initially formed in 1978 in response to ensure that the rights of California's youth and their families were considered. Several groups joined forces in this effort and formed CCY. To address crisis issues of youth, CCY began operating the California Youth Crisis Line in 1986 with funding by the State of California. Currently, operating funds are derived from competitively awarded grants and contracts from the state as well as from private foundations, membership fees, donations and in-house fund raising activities. Their Youth Crisis Line establishes and protects the rights of all youth and their families to receive necessary prevention and intervention services.

**Issue:** **Local Non-Profit Music Organizations**  
**Program:** Public File  
**Date:** November 5, 2006  
**Time:** 6:00A-6:30A

**Description:** Proceeds from the Harvest Festival Original Art & Craft Show benefit the Sacramento Traditional Jazz Society. The mission of the Sacramento Traditional Jazz Society is to preserve and promote traditional jazz, Dixieland, and classic jazz music. They are a non-profit organization whose purpose is to educate STJS members and the public on matters concerning the preservation and promotion of traditional jazz music, and the study and playing of musical instruments associated with traditional jazz music. STJS is proud to sponsor the annual Sacramento Jazz Jubilee during Memorial Day Weekend. Their educational programs include Music Lesson Awards, College Music Awards, Traditional Jazz Camp, the Jazz Youth Band Festival, and Youth Bands featured monthly at the Jazz Sunday monthly concerts.



## **ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST**

### **YOUTH & FAMILY (Cont'd)**

**Issue:** Birth Defect Prevention  
**Program:** Public File  
**Date:** November 12, 2006  
**Time:** 6:00A-6:30A

**Description:** The mission of the March of Dimes is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects and infant mortality. We carry out this mission through research, community services, education and advocacy to save babies' lives. March of Dimes researchers, volunteers, educators, outreach workers and advocates work together to give all babies a fighting chance against the threats to their health: pre-maturity, birth defects, low birth weight. Sacramento Magazine's "best of" party is a celebration featuring the best of everything as decided by the Magazines' readers. Over 6,000 people enjoy fantastic food, drinks, entertainment and a live and silent auction at this celebration which has been rated the number one "Best Of" party nationwide. Proceeds, which are expected to reach over \$200,000, benefit the local chapter of the March of Dimes.

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### YOUTH & FAMILY (Cont'd)

Issue: **Mentoring Children of Prisoners**  
Program: Public File  
Date: December 17, 2006  
Time: 10:00P-10:30P

Description: Children of prisoners are 7 times more likely to become involved in the juvenile and adult criminal justice systems. One in 10 of these children will be incarcerated before reaching the age of 18. The Roots and Horizons mentor program is a site-based, one-to-one mentoring program working with children of prisoners living in Rancho Cordova and Folsom who are between the ages of 4 and 15. Their mission is to build safe and healthy mentoring relationships that foster stability and promote positive futures for all children of prisoners in our community. Roots and Horizons envisions a community in which there is a collective effort to provide every child of an incarcerated parent with a nurturing and supportive adult role model. Mentors support the child's strengths and empower them to discover their own talents, set their own goals and reach their own aspirations.

Issue: **Drug Abuse Prevention**  
Program: Public File  
Date: December 24, 2006  
Time: 10:30P-11:00P

Description: The Partnership for a Drug-Free America is a non-profit coalition of communication, health, medical and educational professionals working to reduce illicit drug use and help people live healthy, drug-free lives. The Partnership's research-based, educational campaigns are disseminated through all forms of media, including TV, radio and print advertisements and over the Internet. In our 18-year history, we have utilized the pro-bono work of the country's best advertising, PR and interactive agencies, and the donated time and space of major media, to create the largest public service campaign in the nation's history. Most recently, the intentional abuse of prescription (Rx) and over-the-counter (OTC) medications to get high is now an entrenched behavior among today's teen population, according to a national study released by the Partnership for a Drug-Free America. The Partnership's 18<sup>th</sup> annual study of teen drug use and attitudes confirms that Generation Rx has arrived as an alarming number of today's teenagers are more likely to have abused Rx and OTC medications than a variety of illegal drugs like Ecstasy.

Issue: **Learning Disabilities**  
Program: Public File  
Date: December 31, 2006  
Time: 10:00P-10:30P

Description: LDA (Learning Disabilities Association) – CA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit volunteer organization of parents, professionals, and adults with learning disabilities. Its purpose is to promote and support the education and general welfare of children and adults of potentially normal intelligence who manifest learning, perceptual, and/or behavioral handicaps. The goals of the Learning Disabilities Association of California are to: advance parents' understanding and responsibility for the education of their children; increase community awareness and acceptance of the unique problems of persons with learning disabilities and their families; expand communication with regular and special educators at all levels; respond to unmet needs of individuals with learning disabilities and promote or create services to meet those needs; develop social and educational opportunities for individuals with learning disabilities; promote vocational and career education opportunities; encourage research in all aspects of learning disabilities; stimulate development of early detection programs; and serve as a consultant and/or liaison with other parents and professional organizations.

# **TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE**

**KDND-FM  
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### **Description**

Every day, faculty members at schools and universities throughout the world are making discoveries that shape our ways of thinking and redefine our understanding of today's knowledge-driven society. Since 1990, The Best of Our Knowledge has highlighted breakthroughs across disciplines and across the globe, putting you in touch with the men and women at the front of their fields. Each week, co-host Dr. Karen R. Hitchcock examines some of the issues unique to college campuses, looks at the latest research, and invites commentary from experts and administrators from all levels of education.

Glenn Busby, co-host and producer of Best of Our Knowledge, has made a special commitment to report on important developments in educational research. The fact is, at every college and university there is a great deal of research being conducted which could potentially have a dramatic impact on the ways in which we educate our students, from the lower grades right through graduate school. Unfortunately, all too often the results of that research are relegated to a shelf somewhere, or are only seen by the small number of people who actually read the scholarly journals. There is no question that the work is being done – the problem is, once it's done, the people in a position to benefit from it most haven't gotten a chance to hear about it.

**PUBLIC FILE**  
**ASCERTAINED COMMUNITY ISSUES**

1. **EDUCATION**, including the quality of public education; school busing; white flight; bilingual education; school violence; and the quality of college and adult education.
2. **ECONOMY**, including inflation; economic development; economic opportunity; welfare; unemployment; job training; labor relations; and consumer issues.
3. **GOVERNMENT**, including government spending; the provision of government services; taxes; general political debate by officials and candidates.
4. **HEALTH**, including quality of medical facilities; national health programs; nutrition; physical fitness; mental health; preventative health care; and medical malpractice.
5. **ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & TRANSPORTATION**, including natural disasters; pollution (especially air and water); the water crisis; and the effects of urban sprawl.
6. **MINORITIES, WOMEN & AGING**, including discrimination and other problems of racial minorities; women and senior citizens; the handicapped; homosexuals; and religious ethnic groups.
7. **CRIME**, including increasing crime rate; youth and gang crime; police-community relations; gun control; law enforcement; the criminal justice system; and the prison system, reform and rehabilitation.
8. **HOUSING**, including rental restrictions; rent control; lack of low and middle housing; landlord / tenant relations; historical preservation; and mortgage rates.
9. **YOUTH & FAMILY**, including issues regarding marriage; the changing role of the family; parenting; child rearing; and abuse.

## ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST

### EDUCATION

Issue: **Harvard Study on Public Education Quality**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: October 1, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: A federal private vs public school study continues to create a great deal of controversy. The report showed public school students outperforming their private peers in reading and mathematics. In the study, researchers adjusted for race, socioeconomic status, and other characteristics. Now, Mark Schneider, Federal Commissioner of the statistical arm of the U.S. Department of Education says his office should NOT have initiated that study. Schneider says the report relied on the subjective analysis that could lead outsiders to question the research center's impartiality. Last week on TBOOK, NEA teacher union President, Reg Weaver, and Joseph McTighe, Executive Director of the Council for American Private Education, offered their differing views on that study. This week, we get yet another perspective from Dr. Paul Peterson, the Henry Lee Shattuck Professor of Government, and Director of Harvard's Program on Education Policy and Governance. Dr. Peterson and his colleagues, Eelana Laudett, used data from the same National Center for Education statistics. But they also used additional data the education department did not use... and got some different results. Peterson tells RBOOK that if the Department of Education was holding its report and data back... it made poor use of its time.

Issue: **Education Headlines & Updates**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: October 1, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: US News & World Report has once again published its annual college rankings. Princeton University claims the top spot, followed by Harvard, and then the California Institute of Technology, MIT and Stanford. This issue always prompts complaints. Critics argue the rankings ignore crucial characteristics about colleges and relies too heavily on reputations.

In related news, a majority of Canadian researched universities, including Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario have told Maclean's magazines that they are no longer taking part in that publication's annual rankings of universities. Maclean says it will go on publishing its rankings regardless. University presidents cite problems with the magazine's ranking methodology.

And in our update segment... you probably missed this one. The Guardian Unlimited reports discussion is underway that could herald a fundamental shift in the Vatican's view of evolution. The paper claims there are growing signs that Pope Benedict is considering aligning the church more closely with the theory of Intelligent Design. Advocates of the theory argue that some features of the universe and nature are so complex that they must have been designed by a higher intelligence. Critics say it's a disguise for creationism.

Issue: **English Language Skills: Eastern Kentucky University Collaborates with Habitat for Humanity**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: October 1, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: For years, students from around the world have needed many things to be admitted to American colleges. The two most difficult may be a visa, and an acceptable TOEFL score. That stands for Test of English as a Foreign Language. The students in our next story have already passed those hurdles and are now enrolled at Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond, Kentucky. We hear now these international students recently used a house building experience to work on their English speaking skills.

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### **EDUCATION (Cont'd)**

Issue: **Podcasting Across Oceans Curriculum**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: October 1, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: While those international students we just heard from are in America studying... many students from the US are studying abroad as well. One class from Marist College in Poughkeepsie, New York just made a national list of Technology Innovations for its unique curriculum... podcasting.

Issue: **Sensational Kids: Hope and Help for Children with Sensory Processing Disorder, Part 1 of 2.**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: October 8, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Most of us are probably more familiar with terms like ADHD, autism, or Asperger Syndrome. You may have yet to hear about SPD, or Sensory Processing Disorder. It's just recently been associated with these other learning disabilities. SPD is commonly defined as a neurological disorder characterized by disruption in the processing and organization of sensory information by the central nervous system. This can manifest itself by impaired sensitivity input, motor control problems, unusually high or low activity levels, and emotional instability. SPD has been known about since the 1970s, but is only now coming to light because of the first major book just published about it. The book is titled, *Sensational Kids*. It's author, Dr. Lucy Jane Miller, is the world's leading research and international authority on Sensory Processing Disorder. In this first part of our two part interview, Dr. Miller tells TBOOK about SPDs early history, and early findings from her research.

Issue: **Sleep and Its Contribution to Children's Ability to Learn**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: October 8, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Scientists and educators continue to probe the brain, trying to discover more about what the brain does while we sleep. They are especially interested to find out how sleep contributes to our ability to learn. Over the past ten years, studies show that you do need a good night's sleep in order to sort out all the information you get bombarded with during the day. But that research was done on adults... not children. Now that's changed. Dr. Robert Stickgold, Professor of Psychiatry at Harvard, was one of two American scientists who collaborated with their counterparts in Holland. Together, for the first time, they used middle school children as subjects for the learning and sleep study. In this report for TBOOK from Radio Netherlands, we hear about this fascinating new area of scientific inquiry.



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### **EDUCATION (Cont'd)**

**Issue:** **Sensation Kids: Hope & Help for Children with Sensory Processing Disorder, Part 2 of 2**  
**Program:** To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
**Date:** October 15, 2006  
**Time:** 7:00A-7:30A

**Description:** Sensory Processing Disorder, or SPD, is a neurological disorder that results from the brain's inability to integrate certain information received from the body's five basic senses. Dr. Lucy Jane Miller is the founder of the only comprehensive SPD program nationwide. And, she's the sole researcher to be awarded National Institutes of Health grants to study this disorder. Dr. Miller is the founder and Executive Director of KID (Knowledge In Development) Foundation... the only full time program of SPD research in the world. She directs the STAR (Sensory Therapies and Research) Center in Denver, Colorado where she treats children and adults. Dr. Miller is also a Clinical Professor of Pediatrics and Rehabilitation Medicine at the University of Colorado School of Medicine. She's the author of more than 60 articles in scientific / professional journals and textbooks. And, she's received more than 30 funded awards and grants to continue her research into childhood disabilities. Last week, we learned about the nearly 40-year history of SPD, the politics of the medical community accepting this disorder, and results of Dr. Miller's early research. This week, we find out about the four major subgroups of Sensory Processing Disorder, their respective treatments, costs, and the impact on education.

**Issue:** **Education Headlines & Updates**  
**Program:** To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
**Date:** October 15, 2006  
**Time:** 7:00A-7:30A

**Description:** **ONTARIO PLANS TO DOUBLE GRADUATE ENROLLMENT**  
The Canadian government in Ontario plans to spend some 240-million dollars to double the enrollment in graduate schools. It hopes to attract and keep graduate students in Ontario to help drive the economy.

#### **OECD REPORT**

The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development just released its annual report of 30 democracy-based countries. The U.S. ranks first in the proportion of its adult population considered highly educated. But among younger people, other countries are catching up. In lower age groups, the U.S. ranks seventh.

#### **NATIONAL CENTER FOR PUBLIC POLICY**

A separate but similar report shows the U.S. is beginning to slip from its status as a world leader in higher education on a number of measures. This study was done by the National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education, based in California

#### **COUNCIL OF GRADUATE SCHOOLS**

Their annual report on graduate enrollment and degrees is just out. Major findings include: total enrollment up by 2%, driven by increases of 3% for women and 6% for African Americans. First time Hispanic enrollment was up by 10% as well.

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### **EDUCATION (Cont'd)**

Issue: **College & University Presidential Series: Dr. Frances Daly Fergusson, Vassar College**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: October 22, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: The cost of higher education is a frequent topic of conversation in the halls of Congress, and in the homes of parents with school children. We begin this periodic series on College and University Presidents, past and present, with Dr. Frances Daly Fergusson. She was the ninth President of Vassar College. Her extended 20-year tenure at Vassar concluded just this past summer. In this exclusive wide-ranging conversation, Dr. Fergusson provides insight into many of today's important campus issues, including: tuition, SAT scores, women faculty, academic freedom, community involvement, and the future of higher education. To begin with, TBOOK asked Fergusson about some of the more sweeping changes she experienced during her 20-years at the helm, from 1986 to 2006.

Issue: **Origins of Life – Science Research in Education Series: Authenticating Origins and Indegeneity of Ancient Organic Molecules, Part 1 of 2**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: October 22, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Meteorites are of special interest to scientists, because, like life on Earth, they contain organic or carbon-based compounds. But chemical studies of meteorites have been challenging and sometimes unreliable. Scientists claim contamination through exposure, storage, and handling. Yet new tools, like mass spectrometers, are now revealing more information about the relationship of chemical building blocks of life, both those found in outer space, and those found here on Earth. One of the lead scientists in this investigation is Dr. Steve Macko, a Professor of Isotope and Organic Geochemistry at the University of Virginia. His major areas of interest include marine organic carbon preservation, and K-12 education and outreach. Dr. Macko has been featured on Discovery and National Geographic Channel programs.

Issue: **Educators Join to Get More Girls into Math & Science**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: October 29, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: When many people hear about Title IX, they usually associate it with providing more opportunities for women in sports. But U.S. Senator, Ron Wyden has reread the law and tells TBOOK he believes Title IX was meant to be an academic statute, not a sports statute. Wyden says it should be used "to lever open opportunities for women in math and science." During the summer on TBOOK, we broadcast comments from the U.S. Secretary of Education at the First National Summit on the Advancement of Girls in Math and Science, and told you we would have more to report on. Over 100 top educators came together to address the math-science gender gap. Our microphones captured comments from top mathematicians, scientists and politicians.

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### **EDUCATION (Cont'd)**

Issue: **Why Women Get Better Grades Than Men**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: October 29, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: 58% of bachelor's degrees in the U.S. today go to women. That compares to only 35% in 1960. Women have outpaced men in college and university graduation rates since 1982. Dr. Claudia Buchmann wanted to know why those numbers have increased so dramatically. Dr. Buchmann is a Sociology Professor at Ohio State University. Buchmann examined data from students born in 1973 and 1974... and then followed these students educational progress until just recently. TBOOK asked Dr. Buchmann about her research, and how it all began.

Issue: **Origins of Life – Science Research in Education Series: Authenticating Origins and Indegeneity of Ancient Organic Molecules, Part 2 of 2**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: October 29, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Last week, we learned about the building blocks of life from outer space, and technological advances that are helping scientists look deeper into chemical history. This week, Dr. Steve Macko discusses his research from deep sea ocean vents to his investigation into what President George Washington ate. Dr. Macko is a Professor of Isotope and Organic Geochemistry at the University of Virginia. His major areas of interest include marine organic carbon preservation, and K-12 education and outreach. Macko has been featured on Discovery and National Geographic Channel programs.

Issue: **School Shootings / Safe and Healthy School Environments**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: November 5, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: During recent weeks, school shootings in Pennsylvania, Colorado and Wisconsin have unnerved students, parents and educators all across America. The shootings that left a principal and at least six students dead in less than a week, have triggered promises from national and state political leaders to tighten campus security. The killings put a spotlight on school violence not seen since the 1999 Columbine High School murders. This latest series of attacks, two by intruders, one by a student, began in late September when a 53-year old gunman killed one student and shot himself in a classroom at Platte Canyon High School in Bailey, Colorado. Two days later, a 15-year old student shot and killed his principal at Weston High School in a Wisconsin farming community. And just days after that, a 32-year old milk truck driver took over a one-room Amish schoolhouse in Pennsylvania, shooting and killing five girls before killing himself. On the heels of those incidents, Education Secretary, Margaret Spellings, and Attorney General, Alberto Gonzales, chaired a summit to address school violence. TBOOK found a nationally recognized authority to talk with about the issue. Dr. Howard Frumkin is a Professor and Chair of Environmental and Occupational Health at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Frumkin also Directs the National Center for Environmental Health at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. His just published book is called, *Safe & Healthy School Environments*.

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### **EDUCATION (Cont'd)**

**Issue:** **Are School Districts Encouraging Urban Sprawl?**  
**Program:** To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
**Date:** November 5, 2006  
**Time:** 7:00A-7:30A

**Description:** One of the issues addressed in our first story is the recent trend towards building larger schools on larger parcels of land, away from where people live. We found an example of this trend in Northern Illinois, just outside Chicago. Each year, Americans build a staggering one and a half million new homes. Environmentalists and others say too many of these houses are big, single family homes on spacious lots. These same people believe this wastes farmland and natural areas. But many suburban planners tell TBOOK they're forced to build that way by local governments and school districts. In this report from the Great Lakes Radio Consortium, people suggest urban sprawl is encouraged to increase school property tax revenues.

**Issue:** **Professor Looks at Core of Sun Through the Sudbury Neutrino Observatory, Part 2 of 2**  
**Program:** To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
**Date:** November 19, 2006  
**Time:** 7:00A-7:30A

**Description:** Science from a hole in the ground? Well... it all began nearly 2-billion years ago, when geologists believe a meteorite struck the earth, creating what is now the Sudbury Basin in Canada. The impact allowed a rich seam of nickel-copper ore to rise through the earth's crust. Today, the Sudbury Basin is circled with the world's largest concentration of nickel mines, and in one of them, scientists accompany miners are their morning descent to 68-hundred feet below the surface. Last week, TBOOKs Karen Hitchcock learned about the construction and size of the Sudbury Neutrino Observatory, and why scientists are interested in neutrinos. Neutrinos are very tiny particles which make up everything in the universe. This week, Karen finds out about current research results, and how those findings impact the way we look at our universe and the laws of physics. Plus, what students are gaining from these investigations. Karen Hitchcock talks with Dr. Art McDonald, Director of the Sudbury Neutrino Observatory. Dr. McDonald is also University Research Chair, and Professor at Queen's University and Kingston, Ontario, Canada.

**Issue:** **Keep Science Education in Context of Things That Matter: Guest Commentary**  
**Program:** To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
**Date:** November 19, 2006  
**Time:** 7:00A-7:30A

**Description:** As regular listeners of The Best of Our Knowledge know, we often focus on the importance of science literacy. We broadcast stories like the one just heard. And our Origins of Life – Science Research in Education series has been a fixture on the show for many years, as has our National Science Foundation series supporting women in science, technology engineering and math, STEM. As we hear in our guest commentary today, the number of vacant seats in many college classrooms devoted to STEM degrees, serves as a reminder of the challenge to improve science education. William David Burns is Executive Director of the National Center for Science and Civic Engagement and Professor at the Harrisburg University of Science and Technology in Pennsylvania. His comments focus putting science education in a context to help boost interest.

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### **EDUCATION (Cont'd)**

**Issue:** Commission on the Future of Higher Education, Part 1 of 2  
**Program:** To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
**Date:** November 26, 2006  
**Time:** 7:00A-7:30A

**Description:** A year ago, Education Secretary, Margaret Spellings formed a bipartisan Commission on the Future of Higher Education in the U.S. The Commission's long awaited final report is finally in. And its findings have provided Secretary Spellings with the launching pad she needs to address what she describes as the vital issues of accessibility, affordability, and accountability. In several recent public appearances, Spellings has discussed her multi-step action plan for higher education.

**Issue:** What is Spin?  
**Program:** To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
**Date:** November 26, 2006  
**Time:** 7:00A-7:30A

**Description:** There's been a great deal of talk lately about "spin." Critics of NCLB might say what we just heard from the Secretary of Education in our first story was "spin." Many professors have been under fire recently over public statements they've made. Critics charge the professors with "spinning" their remarks either to the left or to the right. An Academic Bill of Rights is even being pushed in several states to force teachers to present both sides of issues. And, of course, there's the No Spin Zone every night on cable television. So Princeton University's Online "The Princeton Report on Knowledge", acronym P-ROK, decided recently to take on the subject of spin... to try and develop a general understanding of what it is, how it works, and how to counter it.

**Issue:** Origins of Life – Science Research in Education Series "Exploring Hot Springs Ecosystems at Yellowstone", Part 1 of 2  
**Program:** To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
**Date:** November 26, 2006  
**Time:** 7:00A-7:30A

**Description:** When we talk about origins of life on earth, we often talk about rocks that are billions of years old. Or we discuss what's been found on other planets or other moons. Today, we explore new territory, Yellowstone National Park. It turns out that the hot springs at Yellowstone sustain organisms that can be traced way back on the tree of life. The energy at Yellowstone supports extreme genetic diversity at individual hot springs, and there are more than a thousand of them to investigate. Dr. Everett Shock carries out regular research at Yellowstone. He's a Professor in the Department of Geological Sciences and Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona. Dr. Shock is also Director of the Keck Foundation Lab for Environmental Biogeochemistry. This week TBOOK talks with him about Old Faithful. Why do his research at Yellowstone? And similarities to hot springs in other parts of the world and deep ocean hydrothermal vents.

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### **EDUCATION (Cont'd)**

Issue: **Acquaintance Rape on College and University Campuses**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: December 3, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: When it comes to high profile rape cases, the example that immediately comes to mind is the instance at Duke University in Durham, North Carolina. Duke's highly ranked Men's Lacrosse Team ended its season early last Spring over allegations that several team members raped a dancer at an off-campus party. The number of cases is staggering. In the U.S. alone, the Justice Department's National Institute of Justice and Bureau of Justice Statistics reports that about 3% of college women experience a completed or attempted rape during a typical college year. 3% computes to as many as 300,000 cases each year. The study also reveals that nearly 90% of the victims knew the offender, who was usually a classmate, a friend, ex-boyfriend or an acquaintance. In fact, acquaintance rape has its own category, and is the subject of this most recent case we hear about. TBOOK speaks with Susan Herbst, Officer-In-Charge of the University at Albany, State University of New York in the State Capital.

Issue: **How Do Colleges and Universities Handle Bad News?**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: December 3, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: When something terrible happens on a university campus, like occurred at Duke, or the University at Albany rape case we just spoke about, what do school administrators need to do? What kind of action plan should administrators have in place to assure students, staff and the community of their safety?

Issue: **Commission on the Future of Higher Education – Part 2 of 2**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: December 3, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Saying she hoped to jolt American higher education out of a dangerous complacency... Secretary of Education, Margaret Spellings, has made several pledges: to finance state universities that administer standardized tests; establish a national database to track students; and to cut red tape associated with federal student aid. Secretary Spellings said "This is the beginning of a process of long-overdue reform." She talks about the controversial issue of creating a database to track student progress through graduation.

Issue: **Origins of Life – Science Research in Education Series "Exploring Hot Springs Ecosystems at Yellowstone" – Part 2 of 2**  
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Description: When thinking about the origins of life on earth, there are a couple of basic competing views. One suggests that life was brought here by comet or meteorite impacts, or interplanetary dust. The other... that life was generated here either at the ocean floor, through a lightening spark that touched off an atmosphere that produced organic compounds in watery environments, or in volcanic gases. Regardless, all the scenarios involve organic compounds. Dr. Everett Shock is a Professor in the Department of Geological Sciences and Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona. Dr. Shock is also Director of the Keck Foundation Laboratory for Environmental Biogeochemistry.

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Issue: **The "Dumbing Down" of Textbooks**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: December 10, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Estimates show textbook sales in the U.S. exceed 3.5 billion dollars every year. Four key states seem to be driving the market. California, Texas, Florida, and North Carolina together account for at least 1 billion dollars in textbook sales each year. That's the dollars and cents. But what about content? Perhaps, not to your surprise, money and content issues are inseparable. We've all heard the stories about American students falling behind students from other nations. One of the primary tools teachers have in their curriculum arsenal is the textbook. But you'll notice that today's textbooks don't resemble textbooks of even 20-years ago. They're much larger and much heavier. Yet, they contain less text and a lot more pictures. The American Textbook Council, or ATC, is a non-partisan, independent watchdog research organization. ATC has been conducting independent reviews and studies of school books in history, civics, and the humanities since 1989. The American Textbook Council believes that one of the biggest reasons American students are falling behind is the textbooks they are using. Gilbert Sewall is Director of ATC. He was Education Editor at Newsweek magazine, and has authored several books including, Necessary Lessons: Decline and Renewal in American Schools. A term Sewall often uses to describe the state of history textbooks available to teachers today is "dumbing down." He told us it would be easy to blame it on the publishers for the problem, but it's more complicated than that. Listeners should know that TBOOK did invite several major textbook publishers to appear on this program and present their side of the issue. We spoke with Pearson, Houghton-Mifflin, and McGraw-Hill. They all declined to go on the record and respond to comments critical of their industry. ATC Director, Gilbert Sewall asks who are the textbook publishers trying to please by "dumbing down" history education? The teachers? The school districts? The students? The states? He tells TBOOK that he believes all parties are to blame.

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### EDUCATION (Cont'd)

Issue: **National Children's Book Week**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: December 10, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: While we're on the subject of textbooks we'd like to call your attention to National Children's Book Week. It's been sponsored each year since 1919 by the Children's Book Council. It represents a celebration of the written word, and encourages the introduction of young people to new authors in schools, libraries, homes and bookstores. Dr. John Cech is an award-winning writer, teacher, scholar and critic who has been actively working in the field of children's literature for the past thirty years.

Issue: **Education Headlines and Updates**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: December 10, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: The Globe and Mail newspaper University Report was just published in Canada. And Queen's University placed at the top in: quality of education, academic reputation, quality of student services, libraries, most satisfied students, and diversity of extra-curricular activities.

Maclean's Magazine, also in Canada, has published its best ranking issue. In the medical-doctoral category, Queen's University was rated second place, right behind McGill University.

In college sports, the NCAA is considering membership of some Canadian schools, the premise is to make it easier for schools geographically near each other to compete, cutting travel costs and missed class time. A vote could come as early as January.

Issue: **Voices in Education Series**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: December 10, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Long time listeners of TBOOK will note that this is a brand new series. The series takes us across North American for a close up look at the people inside educational systems: teachers, college presidents, crossing guards, students, cafeteria workers, etc. We'll hear and learn about their jobs, their philosophies and how that all fits into the vast world of education. This week we head to Seattle, Washington for some lessons in arithmetic and equality with Michael Sparks, a math and science teacher at McClure Middle School.

Issue: **The Homework Myth: Why Our Kids Get Too Much of a Bad Thing, Part 1 of 2**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: December 17, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Talk to parents in grade school, and you may hear complaints about too much homework. Education watchdog and author, Alfie Kohn, agrees. In his latest book, The Homework Myth: Why Our Kids Get Too Much of a Bad Thing, Kohn asked why are younger children overloaded with homework, when he claims there are no scientific studies proving its overall learning benefits? Alfie Kohn's thesis may be difficult for teachers and school administrators to accept, but he likely will find support from some parents who believe their children should have more free time at home and less stress. TBOOK asked Kohn how he decided to write about homework.



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### **EDUCATION (Cont'd)**

Issue: **Post-Katrina School Reform**  
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Description: Can a devastating flood set the stage for the transformation of an entire school system? Some say just such an opportunity in New Orleans in the wake of Hurricane Katrina more than a year ago. Louisiana took over most of the New Orleans' schools and began an effort to reopen as many as possible as charter schools. Luis Miron is an Education Professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He's also a New Orleans native who has advised and studied New Orleans schools for 20 years. Miron has documented and studied the progress of that school experiment since Katrina. He comments that the state's attempt at reform is one of the most massive experiments in urban education ever undertaken.

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Issue: **The Homework Myth: Why Our Kids Get Too Much of a Bad Thing, Part 2 of 2**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
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Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: In the 1980s, a survey found that about one-third of grade school children had homework. That figure has now jumped to two-thirds. Not only more homework, but the time spent studying at home has more than doubled. In his latest book, The Homework Myth: Why Our Kids Get Too Much of a Bad Thing, Alfie Kohn says "Homework continues to be assigned... in even greater quantities... despite the absence of evidence that it's necessary or even helpful in most cases."

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### EDUCATION (Cont'd)

Issue: **University of Vilnius Yiddish Institute**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: December 24, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: To sustain a culture or a civilization, language is a necessity. If you should ever visit the Lithuanian capital of Vilnius, you will likely come across its stately 16<sup>th</sup> century university. The University of Vilnius is home to the Vilnius Yiddish Institute, the first Yiddish center of higher learning to be established in post-holocaust Eastern Europe. The institute is dedicated to preserving the centuries-old heritage of Yiddish language and culture through teaching and scholarly research. Radio Netherlands, Sabina Casagrande, visited the university.

Issue: **Schools & The Holidays**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: December 24, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: This week's topic is apropos for the holiday season. And we're sure this issue came up in some of your own home school districts and communities. Dr. Warren J. Blumenfeld is a Professor of Multicultural and International Curriculum Studies at Iowa State University. He believes schools need to start finding ways to strike more religious equity, and provides advice on how schools can do that.

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Issue: **Afghan Schools: Students in the War Zone**  
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Description: While world leaders continue to debate problems in Iraq, and the the Middle East, news about conditions in Afghanistan is mostly shoved right off the front pages. Indeed, during this past year, TBOOK discovered that, for women, trying to get an education in Afghanistan, is often a life and death struggle. Zama Coursen-Neff is a Senior Researcher for Human Rights Watch, a non-governmental watchdog organization based in the U.S. When TBOOK spoke with Coursen-Neff earlier this year, she has just returned from Afghanistan where she conducted several fact-finding missions. She told us about schools set on fire and attacked by rockets. But Coursen-Neff explains that after the fall of the Taliban, people in Afghanistan were hopeful.

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### **ECONOMY**

Issue: **Education Headlines & Updates**  
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### GOVERNMENT

Issue: **Harvard Study on Public Education Quality**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: October 1, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: A federal private vs public school study continues to create a great deal of controversy. The report showed public school students outperforming their private peers in reading and mathematics. In the study, researchers adjusted for race, socioeconomic status, and other characteristics. Now, Mark Schneider, Federal Commissioner of the statistical arm of the U.S. Department of Education says his office should NOT have initiated that study. Schneider says the report relied on the subjective analysis that could lead outsiders to question the research center's impartiality. Last week on TBOOK, NEA teacher union President, Reg Weaver, and Joseph McTighe, Executive Director of the Council for American Private Education, offered their differing views on that study. This week, we get yet another perspective from Dr. Paul Peterson, the Henry Lee Shattuck Professor of Government, and Director of Harvard's Program on Education Policy and Governance. Dr. Peterson and his colleagues, Eelana Laudett, used data from the same National Center for Education statistics. But they also used additional data the education department did not use... and got some different results. Peterson tells RBOOK that if the Department of Education was holding its report and data back... it made poor use of its time.

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Issue: **Commission on the Future of Higher Education, Part 1 of 2**  
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Date: November 26, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: A year ago, Education Secretary, Margaret Spellings formed a bipartisan Commission on the Future of Higher Education in the U.S. The Commission's long awaited final report is finally in. And its findings have provided Secretary Spellings with the launching pad she needs to address what she describes as the vital issues of accessibility, affordability, and accountability. In several recent public appearances, Spellings has discussed her multi-step action plan for higher education.

Issue: **Commission on the Future of Higher Education – Part 2 of 2**  
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: December 3, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Saying she hoped to jolt American higher education out of a dangerous complacency... Secretary of Education, Margaret Spellings, has made several pledges: to finance state universities that administer standardized tests; establish a national database to track students; and to cut red tape associated with federal student aid. Secretary Spellings said "This is the beginning of a process of long-overdue reform." She talks about the controversial issue of creating a database to track student progress through graduation.

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### HEALTH

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Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
Date: October 8, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Most of us are probably more familiar with terms like ADHD, autism, or Asperger Syndrome. You may have yet to hear about SPD, or Sensory Processing Disorder. It's just recently been associated with these other learning disabilities. SPD is commonly defined as a neurological disorder characterized by disruption in the processing and organization of sensory information by the central nervous system. This can manifest itself by impaired sensitivity input, motor control problems, unusually high or low activity levels, and emotional instability. SPD has been known about since the 1970s, but is only now coming to light because of the first major book just published about it. The book is titled, *Sensational Kids*. It's author, Dr. Lucy Jane Miller, is the world's leading research and international authority on Sensory Processing Disorder. In this first part of our two part interview, Dr. Miller tells TBOOK about SPDs early history, and early findings from her research.

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Description: Sensory Processing Disorder, or SPD, is a neurological disorder that results from the brain's inability to integrate certain information received from the body's five basic senses. Dr. Lucy Jane Miller is the founder of the only comprehensive SPD program nationwide. And, she's the sole researcher to be awarded National Institutes of Health grants to study this disorder. Dr. Miller is the founder and Executive Director of KID (Knowledge In Development) Foundation... the only full time program of SPD research in the world. She directs the STAR (Sensory Therapies and Research) Center in Denver, Colorado where she treats children and adults. Dr. Miller is also a Clinical Professor of Pediatrics and Rehabilitation Medicine at the University of Colorado School of Medicine. She's the author of more than 60 articles in scientific / professional journals and textbooks. And, she's received more than 30 funded awards and grants to continue her research into childhood disabilities. Last week, we learned about the nearly 40-year history of SPD, the politics of the medical community accepting this disorder, and results of Dr. Miller's early research. This week, we find out about the four major subgroups of Sensory Processing Disorder, their respective treatments, costs, and the impact on education.

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### **ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & TRANSPORTATION**

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**Issue: Professor Looks at Core of Sun Through the Sudbury Neutrino Observatory, Part 2 of 2**

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**Description:** Science from a hole in the ground? Well... it all began nearly 2-billion years ago, when geologists believe a meteorite struck the earth, creating what is now the Sudbury Basin in Canada. The impact allowed a rich seam of nickel-copper ore to rise through the earth's crust. Today, the Sudbury Basin is circled with the world's largest concentration of nickel mines, and in one of them, scientists accompany miners are their morning descent to 68-hundred feet below the surface. Last week, TBOOKs Karen Hitchcock learned about the construction and size of the Sudbury Neutrino Observatory, and why scientists are interested in neutrinos. Neutrinos are very tiny particles which make up everything in the universe. This week, Karen finds out about current research results, and how those findings impact the way we look at our universe and the laws of physics. Plus, what students are gaining from these investigations. Karen Hitchcock talks with Dr. Art McDonald, Director of the Sudbury Neutrino Observatory. Dr. McDonald is also University Research Chair, and Professor at Queen's University and Kingston, Ontario, Canada.

**Issue: Origins of Life – Science Research in Education Series “Exploring Hot Springs Ecosystems at Yellowstone”, Part 1 of 2**

**Program:** To The Best Of Our Knowledge

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**Description:** When we talk about origins of life on earth, we often talk about rocks that are billions of years old. Or we discuss what's been found on other planets or other moons. Today, we explore new territory, Yellowstone National Park. It turns out that the hot springs at Yellowstone sustain organisms that can be traced way back on the tree of life. The energy at Yellowstone supports extreme genetic diversity at individual hot springs, and there are more than a thousand of them to investigate. Dr. Everett Shock carries out regular research at Yellowstone. He's a Professor in the Department of Geological Sciences and Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona. Dr. Shock is also Director of the Keck Foundation Lab for Environmental Biogeochemistry. This week TBOOK talks with him about Old Faithful. Why do his research at Yellowstone? And similarities to hot springs in other parts of the world and deep ocean hydrothermal vents.



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### ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & TRANSPORTATION (Cont'd)

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Description: When thinking about the origins of life on earth, there are a couple of basic competing views. One suggests that life was brought here by comet or meteorite impacts, or interplanetary dust. The other... that life was generated here either at the ocean floor, through a lightening spark that touched off an atmosphere that produced organic compounds in watery environments, or in volcanic gases. Regardless, all the scenarios involve organic compounds. Dr. Everett Shock is a Professor in the Department of Geological Sciences and Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona. Dr. Shock is also Director of the Keck Foundation Laboratory for Environmental Biogeochemistry.

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**Issue:** **College & University Presidential Series: Dr. Frances Daly Fergusson, Vassar College**  
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**Date:** October 22, 2006  
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**Description:** The cost of higher education is a frequent topic of conversation in the halls of Congress, and in the homes of parents with school children. We begin this periodic series on College and University Presidents, past and present, with Dr. Frances Daly Fergusson. She was the ninth President of Vassar College. Her extended 20-year tenure at Vassar concluded just this past summer. In this exclusive wide-ranging conversation, Dr. Fergusson provides insight into many of today's important campus issues, including: tuition, SAT scores, women faculty, academic freedom, community involvement, and the future of higher education. To begin with, TBOOK asked Fergusson about some of the more sweeping changes she experienced during her 20-years at the helm, from 1986 to 2006.

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**Issue:** **Why Women Get Better Grades Than Men**  
**Program:** To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
**Date:** October 29, 2006  
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**Description:** 58% of bachelor's degrees in the U.S. today go to women. That compares to only 35% in 1960. Women have outpaced men in college and university graduation rates since 1982. Dr. Claudia Buchmann wanted to know why those numbers have increased so dramatically. Dr. Buchmann is a Sociology Professor at Ohio State University. Buchmann examined data from students born in 1973 and 1974... and then followed these students educational progress until just recently. TBOOK asked Dr. Buchmann about her research, and how it all began.

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Program: **To The Best Of Our Knowledge**  
Date: **October 1, 2006**  
Time: **7:00A-7:30A**

Description: For years, students from around the world have needed many things to be admitted to American colleges. The two most difficult may be a visa, and an acceptable TOEFL score. That stands for Test of English as a Foreign Language. The students in our next story have already passed those hurdles and are now enrolled at Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond, Kentucky. We hear now these international students recently used a house building experience to work on their English speaking skills.

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**Description:** Most of us are probably more familiar with terms like ADHD, autism, or Asperger Syndrome. You may have yet to hear about SPD, or Sensory Processing Disorder. It's just recently been associated with these other learning disabilities. SPD is commonly defined as a neurological disorder characterized by disruption in the processing and organization of sensory information by the central nervous system. This can manifest itself by impaired sensitivity input, motor control problems, unusually high or low activity levels, and emotional instability. SPD has been known about since the 1970s, but is only now coming to light because of the first major book just published about it. The book is titled, *Sensational Kids*. It's author, Dr. Lucy Jane Miller, is the world's leading research and international authority on Sensory Processing Disorder. In this first part of our two part interview, Dr. Miller tells TBOOK about SPDs early history, and early findings from her research.

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**Description:** Scientists and educators continue to probe the brain, trying to discover more about what the brain does while we sleep. They are especially interested to find out how sleep contributes to our ability to learn. Over the past ten years, studies show that you do need a good night's sleep in order to sort out all the information you get bombarded with during the day. But that research was done on adults... not children. Now that's changed. Dr. Robert Stickgold, Professor of Psychiatry at Harvard, was one of two American scientists who collaborated with their counterparts in Holland. Together, for the first time, they used middle school children as subjects for the learning and sleep study. In this report for TBOOK from Radio Netherlands, we hear about this fascinating new area of scientific inquiry.

**Issue:** **Sensation Kids: Hope & Help for Children with Sensory Processing Disorder, Part 2 of 2**  
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### **YOUTH & FAMILY (Cont'd)**

**Issue:** **Education Headlines & Updates**  
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**Description:** **ONTARIO PLANS TO DOUBLE GRADUATE ENROLLMENT**  
The Canadian government in Ontario plans to spend some 240-million dollars to double the enrollment in graduate schools. It hopes to attract and keep graduate students in Ontario to help drive the economy.

**OECD REPORT**  
The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development just released its annual report of 30 democracy-based countries. The U.S. ranks first in the proportion of its adult population considered highly educated. But among younger people, other countries are catching up. In lower age groups, the U.S. ranks seventh.

**NATIONAL CENTER FOR PUBLIC POLICY**  
A separate but similar report shows the U.S. is beginning to slip from its status as a world leader in higher education on a number of measures. This study was done by the National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education, based in California

**COUNCIL OF GRADUATE SCHOOLS**  
Their annual report on graduate enrollment and degrees is just out. Major findings include: total enrollment up by 2%, driven by increases of 3% for women and 6% for African Americans. First time Hispanic enrollment was up by 10% as well.

**Issue:** **College & University Presidential Series: Dr. Frances Daly Fergusson, Vassar College**  
**Program:** To The Best Of Our Knowledge  
**Date:** October 22, 2006  
**Time:** 7:00A-7:30A

**Description:** The cost of higher education is a frequent topic of conversation in the halls of Congress, and in the homes of parents with school children. We begin this periodic series on College and University Presidents, past and present, with Dr. Frances Daly Fergusson. She was the ninth President of Vassar College. Her extended 20-year tenure at Vassar concluded just this past summer. In this exclusive wide-ranging conversation, Dr. Fergusson provides insight into many of today's important campus issues, including: tuition, SAT scores, women faculty, academic freedom, community involvement, and the future of higher education. To begin with, TBOOK asked Fergusson about some of the more sweeping changes she experienced during her 20-years at the helm, from 1986 to 2006.

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**Description:** When many people hear about Title IX, they usually associate it with providing more opportunities for women in sports. But U.S. Senator, Ron Wyden has reread the law and tells TBOOK he believes Title IX was meant to be an academic statute, not a sports statute. Wyden says it should be used "to lever open opportunities for women in math and science." During the summer on TBOOK, we broadcast comments from the U.S. Secretary of Education at the First National Summit on the Advancement of Girls in Math and Science, and told you we would have more to report on. Over 100 top educators came together to address the math-science gender gap. Our microphones captured comments from top mathematicians, scientists and politicians.

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Date: December 3, 2006  
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: When it comes to high profile rape cases, the example that immediately comes to mind is the instance at Duke University in Durham, North Carolina. Duke's highly ranked Men's Lacrosse Team ended its season early last Spring over allegations that several team members raped a dancer at an off-campus party. The number of cases is staggering. In the U.S. alone, the Justice Department's National Institute of Justice and Bureau of Justice Statistics reports that about 3% of college women experience a completed or attempted rape during a typical college year. 3% computes to as many as 300,000 cases each year. The study also reveals that nearly 90% of the victims knew the offender, who was usually a classmate, a friend, ex-boyfriend or an acquaintance. In fact, acquaintance rape has its own category, and is the subject of this most recent case we hear about. TBOOK speaks with Susan Herbst, Officer-In-Charge of the University at Albany, State University of New York in the State Capital.

Issue: **The Homework Myth: Why Our Kids Get Too Much of a Bad Thing, Part 1 of 2**  
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Date: December 17, 2006  
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Description: Talk to parents in grade school, and you may hear complaints about too much homework. Education watchdog and author, Alfie Kohn, agrees. In his latest book, The Homework Myth: Why Our Kids Get Too Much of a Bad Thing, Kohn asked why are younger children overloaded with homework, when he claims there are no scientific studies proving its overall learning benefits? Alfie Kohn's thesis may be difficult for teachers and school administrators to accept, but he likely will find support from some parents who believe their children should have more free time at home and less stress. TBOOK asked Kohn how he decided to write about homework.



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While you were traveling, or cooking, or eating this holiday season, were you secretly making a holiday gift list in your head? And maybe wondering how your going to pay for it? The holiday season is that wonderful time of year that brings good cheer and empty wallets to one and all. Is it possible to get your holiday shopping done and still have some cash left over for the new year? 51%’s financial expert Susan Sweetser is with us today... and she says it is.

In old holiday movies you see at this time of year, like The Bells of Saint Mary’s, Catholic nuns play a prominent role. But these days, classic movies may be one of the few places to find them. We hear a lot about the shortage of priests, but in the last 40 years the Catholic Church has lost nearly 100,000 nuns.

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Description: Andi Zeisler is the co-founder and editorial director of Bitch Magazine. For 10 years the magazine has focused on feminism and pop culture. Andi will be joining us on 51% every couple of weeks to talk about what she sees on the pop culture landscape. Lately she says, she's been thinking about what marketers are trying to sell to young girls... something she thought of as she looked at the Halloween costumes being sold this year.

Activist Cindy Sheehan has been at the center of the anti-war movement for more than a year now. Sheehan, whose son Casey was killed in Iraq in 2004, gained national media attention in the summer of 2005 when she camped by President George W. Bush's Crawford, Texas ranch in an attempt to meet with him and discuss the war in Iraq. Since then, she has founded an organization called Gold Star Families for Peace, and traveled around the country speaking against the war in Iraq. Sheehan chronicles her experiences in a new book, *Peace Mom*.

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### MINORITIES, WOMEN & AGING

Program: 51%  
Date: October 1, 2006  
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: Here's a headline you probably didn't miss. You may have heard that Afghanistans minister of women, Safia Amajan, was killed recently. But as Laura Liyama reports, her murder is the latest in a string of attacks on women and education in the country.

Each year, the MacArthur Foundation awards \$500,000 ... no strings attached... to a handful of creative people in the arts and the sciences. The fellowship allows them to develop their work, free of many of the constraints of day to day living. Twenty-five new fellows were just announced, and among them is artist Anna Shuleit. Shuleit received the fellowship largely based on her installation art. She brings historic sites and structures back to life by incorporating them into her artwork. She'll use an entire building as a canvas, which means that the work is temporary. It can be seen for a very short period of time, and then it's gone... just a memory. Which, she says, is part of the point.

And finally, in the artists spotlight... another MacArthur genius grant winner. Regina Carter uses the violin... predominantly associated with classical music... for her own style of improvisational jazz. She was the first jazz musician, and the first African American to play Paganini's famous violin. Here she is with that violin... and a tune called, Reverie.

Program: 51%  
Date: October 8, 2006  
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: The Supreme Court is taking up the issue of what some call partial birth abortion once again in November. This time they'll be looking at a US government law rather than a state law. The ban on the abortion procedure currently makes an exception for the life of the woman. Still, some believe the key difference between this latest court case, and earlier Supreme Court rulings lies in the make-up of the court since the departure of moderate Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

October is, of course, breast cancer awareness month... a fact that's hard to miss if you watch television, shop, or go outside. Raising awareness is a great thing, but with pink vacuum cleaners and mixers, has breast cancer culture gone too far? Salon.coms Rebecca Traister posted about that recently on Salon's Broadsheet Blog.

Since it is breast cancer awareness month we asked 51's health expert, Dr. Lynn Shuster, to join us to talk detection technology. Dr. Shuster is the editor of the Mayo Clinic Health Letter for women. Right now, she says, for most women, mammography is still the way to go.

So what does fly fishing have to do with breast cancer? Well, it turns out that not only are physical movements of the sport therapeutic for breast cancer survivors, so are the mental aspects. An organization called Casting for Recovery offers free retreats for women who have had breast cancer, and teaches them how to fly-fish... and, by extension, how to fly. Rebecca Sheir joined a group of Alaskan women learning how to cast their lines... and cast themselves in a whole new light.

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### MINORITIES, WOMEN & AGING (Cont'd)

Program: 51%  
Date: October 15, 2006  
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: We're celebrating a milestone of sorts here on 51%. It's our 900<sup>th</sup> show. If you're doing the math, we've been on the air just over 17 years. That's 119 in dog years. I've only been here for seven of those years. Back in 1989 the show was hosted by Sara Chapman who, at the time, was president of The Sage Colleges.

This week we thought it would be fun to take a look back at the things that have changed... and the things that stayed the same.

Mary runs down some of the important events in women's history for the month of October.

Marie Wilson, president of The White House Project for Women looks at some of the issues affecting women candidates in the 2006 election.

And, to wrap up our look at things past today, a re-release from a great woman of the blues... Etta Jones. In our ongoing attempt to introduce you to the music of lesser known female musicians, we bring you music by Etta Jones. Jones was a critically acclaimed jazz singer, but didn't get much commercial attention. One of the best kept secrets in jazz, her work has been compared to Billie Holiday and Ella Fitzgerald. Jones passed away in 2001, but one of her last albums, *Lonely & Blue*, has just been re-released. Here's her version of a tune called *In The Dark*.

Program: 51%  
Date: October 29, 2006  
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: Yes... it is only 2006, but the '08 presidential race is already heating up, and you can't really have a discussion about that race without mentioning Hillary Clinton. The New York Senator and former first lady is being talked about as the first viable female candidate for the White House. Now, you might expect feminists to be thrilled with the prospect, but Rebecca Traister found that isn't true across the board. Rebecca Traister covers gender issues for Salon.com and contributes to *Broadsheet*... Salon.coms blog about women. In a recent cover story for Salon, Traister says she was surprised to find mixed feelings among feminist about a Hillary Clinton Presidency.

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Now, over the last few years, with the help of the National Science Foundation, 51% has talked a lot about women in science. And Astrophysicist Jana Levin says that's fine for us, but it's a conversation she's had quite enough of, thank you. Jana Levin teaches physics and astronomy at Barnard College in New York City. She is the author of the new book, *A Madman Dreams of Turing Machines*. Her essay can be found in the September 25<sup>th</sup> edition of Newsweek magazine.



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### MINORITIES, WOMEN & AGING (Cont'd)

Program: 51%  
Date: November 5, 2006  
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: Andi Zeisler is the co-founder and editorial director of Bitch Magazine. For 10 years the magazine has focused on feminism and pop culture. Andi will be joining us on 51% every couple of weeks to talk about what she sees on the pop culture landscape. Lately she says, she's been thinking about what marketers are trying to sell to young girls... something she thought of as she looked at the Halloween costumes being sold this year.

Activist Cindy Sheehan has been at the center of the anti-war movement for more than a year now. Sheehan, whose son Casey was killed in Iraq in 2004, gained national media attention in the summer of 2005 when she camped by President George W. Bush's Crawford, Texas ranch in an attempt to meet with him and discuss the war in Iraq. Since then, she has founded an organization called Gold Star Families for Peace, and traveled around the country speaking against the war in Iraq. Sheehan chronicles her experiences in a new book, *Peace Mom*.

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Date: November 12, 2006  
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006 will go down in history as an incredibly successful year for women candidates. We'll start the new term with 9 women governors, 16 senators and, the very first female speaker of the house. Here to talk about those, and other races, and what they'll mean for women in the future, is Marie Wilson. Marie is the director of The White House Project, an organization dedicated to helping women achieve high office.

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Date: December 10, 2006  
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: Andi Zeisler is the co-founder and editorial director of *Bitch Magazine*, takes a look at the Bush Administrations newly appointed “family planning Czar”.

Arianna Huffington is a nationally syndicated columnist and author of 10 books, including the *How to Overthrow the Government* and *Pigs at the Trough*. Her latest is titled *On Becoming Fearless*. In the book, she explores fearlessness at work, in parenting, in love, in aging, and much more. 51%’s Joe Donahue spoke with Huffington about she came to write a book on this particular subject.

Even those folks you may think of as fearless are afraid of something. Today, one of our “she-roses”, commentator Helen DesFosses, “fesses up to a fear she shares with Arianna Huffington.

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In addition to hunting season, it's also the start of the holiday season. And before you can say Plymouth Rock, friends and relatives will be gathered around tables consuming mass quantities of turkey, stuffing, pie and togetherness – all of which, can sometimes be overdone. This week, commentator Katie Britton invites us into her home for the holidays.

It's the time of year once again when we stop and think about the things for which we are grateful. We sent reporter Marie Elaina Cantelino out to talk with women about the things they're giving thanks for this year.

Actress and comedienne Lily Tomlin has a hatful of awards to her credit... including six emmy's, two Tony's and a Grammy. The creator of such well loved characters as Ernestine and Edith Ann has been performing on stage and screen since her Laugh-In days. Tomlin stars in Garrison Keilor's Prairie Home Companion movie, out recently on DVD.

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### YOUTH & FAMILY (Cont'd)

Program: 51%  
Date: November 26, 2006  
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: Essayists share their thoughts on the subject of gratitude. First Elizabeth Laird sends a 30 year old thank you card to Iraq.

Rhian O'Rourke explores joy, sadness, guilt and other emotions that go along with gratitude.

Sarah Darer Littman on the gift of time.

Some things have been part of our lives... and the lives of our ancestors... that they're easily taken for granted. This year, Betsy Leonder Wright reminds us why it's important to society that we remember them.

This Thanksgiving, as essayist Martha Holmes celebrated with family and friends, her thoughts turned to the first Thanksgiving, and to the very first Americans... the ones we too often forget to thank.

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**PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

KCTC, KDND, KRXQ, KSEG, KSSJ and KWOD rotate Public Service Announcements at a rate of at least one per air shift. Each PSA is in rotation for approximately two weeks. Among the groups whose announcements aired last quarter are as follows:

	<u>KCTC</u>	<u>KDND</u>	<u>KRXQ</u>	<u>KSEG</u>	<u>KSSJ</u>	<u>KWOD</u>
The Greater Broadway Partnership	3	2	3	2	3	2
City of Sacramento Disability Fair	2	3	2	3	2	3
Sac. Local Conservation Corps	2	2	3	3	3	3
S. Placer UCD Breast Cancer Fund	3	3	3	2	2	2
Brett Harte Elementary School	4	3	3	4	2	4
Sierra Curtis Neighborhood Assoc.	2	4	4	3	3	2
Head Start	2	2	3	3	4	2
Placer County Job Fair	3	3	2	2	3	3
Davis School Arts Foundation	4	3	3	2	2	2
UC Davis	3	4	4	4	3	4
Guide Dogs of America	2	3	2	2	4	2
Virgin Mary Church General Fund	2	2	3	3	3	3
Foothills Habitat for Humanity	3	2	2	3	3	3
Sacramento Zoo	2	3	3	2	2	2
African Children's Choir	2	3	4	3	3	2
Chicks in Crisis	2	3	2	3	4	3
Women Escaping a Violent Environ.	4	4	2	2	2	2
Sacramento SPCA	3	3	3	4	3	2
Juvenile Diabetes Research Found.	2	3	3	3	4	4
Sacramento CROP Hunger Walk	3	4	2	3	2	4
Susan G Komen Cancer Found.	2	3	3	2	3	3
ALS Assoc., Greater Sacto Chapter	3	2	2	3	3	2
Grant Adult Ed Center	4	3	3	4	3	3
National Down Syndrome Society	3	4	3	3	3	4
Pittsburgh Creative Arts Building	2	3	4	3	2	2
Maidu Interpretive Center	3	3	3	3	3	3
Roseville Crime Stoppers	4	2	3	3	2	2
Maidu Seniors Program	2	2	2	2	3	4
Nor Cal Boxer Rescue	3	3	3	2	3	4
Station Xtreme Teen Program	2	3	2	2	3	3
El Dorado Toy & Food Drive	4	2	3	4	2	3
Special Olympics	3	3	2	2	3	3
Sacramento Blues Society	3	2	3	2	3	2
Sacramento Food Bank	3	3	2	3	3	2
Camp Okizu	3	3	3	3	3	4
Safetyville USA	4	2	2	4	2	3
KW Cares Moral Value Program	3	3	3	2	3	2
Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence	2	3	3	2	3	2
Court Appointed Special Advocates	3	3	3	3	3	4
Shadow Box Theater Company	2	2	2	3	2	3
Buljan Middle School	3	3	2	3	3	2
Sr. Citizens Center Arcade Creek	3	3	2	3	2	3
Volunteers of America	4	2	3	4	3	4
Center for Community Health	3	3	3	3	4	2
Placer County Library	2	3	3	2	3	4
Country Club Plaza Mall	2	2	4	2	3	3
Sierra Services for the Blind	3	2	3	3	2	4
March of Dimes	3	3	2	3	3	3
Breaking Barriers	3	3	2	3	4	2
Northside Volunteer Fire Fighters	3	3	4	2	3	3
St. Jude Children's Hospital	4	3	3	2	3	2

Performing Animal Welfare Society	2	3	2	3	2	3
Military Families Speaking Out	3	2	3	2	3	2
Toys for Troops' Kids	2	2	2	3	3	3
Elk Grove Teen Center USA	3	3	3	2	2	2
North Area Teen Center	2	3	3	2	2	3

#### **SACRAMENTO VALLEY BROADCASTERS ASSOCIATION / ASCERTAINMENT**

SVBA conducts Ascertainment interviews because the member stations believe it is an excellent way to stay in touch with community leaders and to stay informed about issues that should be reported on in news and public affairs programs. During an ascertainment interview, station representatives take notes on speakers' comments, which are then used to generate ideas for news and public affairs programs. Guests this quarter included speakers from Sacramento Magazine, Burbank High School, Hannah Rose Foundation, Sierra Adoption Services, Roots & Horizons, Folsom Cordova Community Partnership, Sacramento County Health Department, The National Guard, and the Sacramento Valley Regional Care Coalition.

#### **NEWS REPORTS**

Entercom stations air newscasts twice an hour during Morning Drive, beginning at 5:50am and running until 8:50am, for a total of approximately 375 newscasts per quarter. The reports include national and local news. The content of the news stories range from major national headline issues to those that directly and specifically affect the greater Sacramento area including the following: Education, Economy, Government, Health, Environmental/Energy/Transportation, Crime, Drug Abuse, Minorities/Women/Aging, and Youth/Family. On an average each newscast is made up of six stories for a total of over 2,300 topics per quarter.